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etters to Santa Claus (Continued from Eighth Page.)

Richmond, Va., Dec. 20, 1903.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy eight years old, please bring me a horn, a ball, wagon and some candy and auts and some fireworks, harp, please bring me a billy goat with horns

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a bleyde and a book bag, and
I want some games and a pair of shoes
and some fire crackers. I want a book
bag with two sides.

MARGARET WALLERSTEIN.

No. 507 North Tenth St.,
Richmond, Va.,
Manchester, Va., Dec. 20, 1903.

Dear Santa.

Dianchester, va., Dear Santa:

Please bring me a pair of vases and a new cloak, a new dress, a pair of rubbers to wentrlo school and a story book and a cup and saucer on a stand. I am a cup and sector of the cleven years old.

From one who loves you,

BEATRICE SCROGGINS.

Manchested, Va., Dec. 20, 1903.

Dear Santa:

I want you to bring me a little wagon, a pair of shoes and a little train, a little wallers some building blocks and dog on rollers, some building blocks and some candy and apples and oranges.

Dear Santa Claus.

I am a good girl four years old. My first letter to Santa. I want a doll baby, also doll baby carriage, set of dishes, jumping jack, stove, anything Santa wishee his little girl to have, but don't forget Lolla and Aunt May, From MARY C. MORAN, 2015 East Main Street.

Dear Santa Claus:
Mamma says I am a good little girl. I
want a dolly, also carriage for my dolly,
rocking chair, small house, horn and
artything Santa wishes his nittle girl to
have. I am two years old. Don't forget

HANNAH KANE MORAN, 2615 East Main Street,

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a nice suit of clothes
and a toy horn, my brother, Willie, wants
some tin soldiers, so he can play war
and Lee wants a Xmas tree and doll baby. Please don't forget us and our cousin, Lennio Forstmann,

Yours, GEORGE HULCHER, WILLIE HULCHER, LEO HULCHER, 633 North Third Street.

No. 300 Walnut Street, Richmond, Va., Dec. 17, 1903, Dear Santa Claus:

I want a locket and chain, a ring and not of furniture, a dog that will run, set of dominoes, a large tea set, haby-carriage, muff and furs, car rings. Good byc.

Yours truly, LILLIE I. TIGNOR.

Name and grandpa, also my friend, Alleien, also my form for the flag and a first flag and fla

Richmond, Va. Dec. 18, 1903,
My Dear Santa Claus:
As it is drawing near Christmas I will
attempt to tell you what I would like to
have. An express wagon, Hans Andersel's "Tairy Tales," and black beauty,
Mr. Santa Claus, will you please be
curatul in coming down the chimney, so
that your feet do not silp, and you get a
fall. I am going down town this avening
to look at your presents you have made.
Please watch your masic curtain and
when it falls when the little children so
to sleep. I will close for this time,
I am slway your friend.
WILLIAM MITCHELL.

1233 West Cary Street, Dec. 16, 1903,

Dear Santa Claus:

I have bin a good girl and don't forget me. Your little girl.

I have bin a good girl and don't forget me. Your little girl.

I want. I do not want eny toys as I have created and I don't play with them.

I want a locket and chain, a ring and a book of Alcott's little women, and a game of checkers, and a music roll, a game of checkers, and a pair of kild gloves, and a gar and a book of school gloves, and a doll

I fighland Park, Dec. 20, 1903.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a foot-ball, candy, nuts, air rifle and two boxes of shot, some big pop crackers, romain candles and a sied, a knife and sky rockets and

BUSIE PATTERSON.

1103 West Main Street,
Richmond, Va., Dec. 17, 1903.

Dear. Santa Claus:
I will write you this note to tell you what I want you to bring me.
I hope to get a doll, pair of gloves, ring, tea set, table, pair rubbers, pair roller skates, Gosmar, an umbralla, candy and nits, fire works and lots of other things.

Good bye, Santa.

LIZZIE STARKS.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 20, 1903. Dear Santa Claus:

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy only 10 years old. I will only ask a few little things. Please send me a horn, a school bag, with a Johnson's primer also a double slate, some fireworks and nuty and candy, I will thank you for those articles.

Yours respectfully,

LINWOOD HAYWARD,
Richmond, Va., Dec. 14, 1903.

Dear Old Santy: Another Xmas has almost arrived and I must write a few lines to let you know that I am still in existence. Please be as kind and thoughtful of me this Xmas as you think best, and I will be satisfied. Yours truly

MATTIE LEO HUDSON.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 29, 1903.

Dear Santa Claus: I is a little dirl; I live on 27th St. Please bring me a locket and chain a pair of kid gloves, doll baby dressed in long clothes and a Christmas tree, some candy and nuts. I will go to bed really early.

From your triend. From your, friend

BLANCHE BICKERS.

December 20, 1903. December 29, 1903.

My Dear Santa Claus: Doris suys she wants a carriage and some candy and nuts, and a dool baby, and a dool chair, and a pair of shoes and stockings, and two games and some picture books, an orange, an apple, and a set of dishes, and a sideboard with a looking glass in it; that is all she wants, and we will go to the death, and we will go to the death, and she wants, and we will go to the solutions of the sand which care was a she wants. bed early and shut our eyes and wee wont peep. From your little friend,

LOUIS EUBANK.

December 20, 1903.

December 20, 1993.

My Dear Santa Claus: I want a dool baby, and a dool chair and 4 games and 3 story books and some candy and nuts and a small box of paper and a pair of shoes and stockings, and don't forget to bring Hary his Katsanjammer Kids book, and don't forget to bring handker-chiefs, an apple, an orange, That is all twent this Christmas. I want this Christmas.

Your little girl, EVELYN EUBANR.

Dear Santa: I wish you would bring Dear Santa: I wish you wont blink, me a doil baby, a bed, set of cards, a bleycle and a set of dishes, and some nuts and candy, poperackers, and so good-bye deal Santa, and my name is Margaret Carroll, and my No. 1768 West Marshall

Dear Santa Claus: I thought I would let you know what I want. I want a mun and fur and a palr of kid gloves and a blue cap and some candy and nuts and

some fireworks,
I am your little girl,
ESSIE GERMELMAN.
No. 1618 North Twenty-third Street, Fairmount, Don't forget me.

nt. Don't forget me. Highland Park, Dec. 20, 1903.

Highland Park, Dec. 29, 1966.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little bey seven years old. I want you to bring me some candy and nuts, a billy goat and wagon, a soldier suit, with cap, a sword, gun, horn, drum, all sorts of fireworks, and a doll baby and doll baby carriage and some ice skates, and a little whip.

Your little boy.

COLSTON ROYALL.

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Highland Park, Dec. 20, 1963.

My Dear Santa Claus:

Bring me a doll baby, a doll baby bed, a doll baby oarriage, a rubber ball, with a rubber to it, a picture book, some por crackers, some candy, some cake, oranges, and a horse. I am a little girl three years old. Please don't forget me.

Your little girl.

ISABELLA ROYALL.

some oranges and apples and a sword.
Your little friend,
TOM ROYALL.

1120 Beverly Street, Richmond, Va., Dec. 21, 1903.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 21, 1963.
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me this Christmas a nice
blackboard, a school bell, a lunch box,
and four nice handkerchiefs. Also some
candy, nuts, oranges and pop crackers.
I am a little sirl twelva years old, Good
bye until Christmas.

IRENE KITCHEN.

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1129 Beverly Street,
Richmond, Va., Dec. 21, 1903.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me this Christmas a gocart, a game of parchesia, four nice
hardkerchiefs, and my old doll dressed
over. I am il little girl nine years old.
Also bring me some nuts, candles,
oranges and pop crackers. Good bye.

Prom your little girl,
ADELL KITCHEN.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 17, 1903.
Dear Santa Claus: I hear you have
arrived in this city and I am atraid you
will get so many letters you will not have time to read them all, but I hope mine will not be overlooked. I hope you have a will not be overlooked. I hope you have a large stock of Christmas things, for there are so many children and all of them want so many things. Mamma says I ought not to be greedy, so I will only name the things that I am the most anxious for. I very much want a gun, an alcohol engine and track, a book of "The Adventure of the Brownie," a writing desk, and the usual quantity of poperackers candy and nuts. I am ten years crackers, candy and nuts. I am ten years old, and have a brother and sister who want you to bring them some things, too. Hoping you will be sure to find us. I am Your friend,

ARTHUR URBAN.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 19, 1903. Richmond, Va., Dec. 10, 1965.

Dear Santa: I will write you a few lines to let you know what I want this Christmas. I want some candy, nuts, oranges and apples, and some story books, a game and a pair of gloves, a new dress and a gold ring, and a book called Sinderrilla, and a book about fairy tales.

Always your friend. Always your friend.

MAY HOUCHENS.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 17, 1903.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 11, 1999.
Dear Old St. Nicholas:
All hall your glorious coming;
And would that you could stay,
You bring to us greatest of pleasures.
And dear St. Nicholas I hope you will
find me a better and wiser girl ere your
return next year. Bring for me good
hooks of knowledge, and for same receive books of knowledge, and for same receive my thanks. With best wishes for you St. Nicholas.

Your little friend, ELSIE NOEL

No. 3 South P Street.

Dear Santa: I want a sleigh, a set of soldiers, candy, nuts, fireworks. I hope you wont forget me. Good-byc. I am ROBERT PRAIRIE. No. 801 East Cary Street.

Dear Santa Claus: 1 want a rocking chair, a pair of rubbers an umbrella, a story book and a little broom and some crackers and some nuts and candles nd Santa Claus I will go to bed soon and not peop.
Your little girl,
RESSIE WITT.

Twelve years old.

Dear Santa Claus: My prother is eleven years old. He wants an automobile and a story book and a pair of gloves to ride it with and he will go to bed soon and will

Your little boy, HARRY WITT.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 20, 1903.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 20, 1865.

Dear Santa.

I thought I would write to you and tell you what I want. A doll, a carriage and a horn, a stove, a bandbox and a few nuts and some candy and cake, and the most of all I want to tell you is about going to bed. I will be sleep when you come, for I'll go to bed at 8 o'clock. So I will close, hoping to find what I want.

Your little girl.

MICHELEAN PETROCHILLI.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have never written you a letter, but thought I would this time to tell you all I want. I am a little girl seven years old, and have a little brother three years old, and have a little brother three years old, we want you to bring us a big doll that can walk, talk and go to sleep, a set of furniture, a tea set and a gun for my little brother, drum and a horse and a lot of good things. We all love you very much because you do not ever forget us.

Your little children.

DA BLANLEE PERKINS.

PERKINS, Blackstone, Va., Dec. 19, 1903.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 21st.

Dear Santa:
This is my first letter to you. I am a little hoy seven years old. Please bring me a vislecipede, some fireworks of all

kinds a nice story book and a nice game.
Bring my little brother Ray a shoe-fly.
rocker, some candy and nuts. Please
don't forget grandma. Good-bye.
From your little boy.
GARLAND BUTLER.
No. 815 N. Twenty-eighth St.

Dear Santa: Dear Santa:

Please bring me a large size tool chest, molly mule, automobile, toot-ball, box of race horses, engine that winds up and a plenty of fireworks and goodles.

Your little boy;

CLARENCE LEFTWICH,

No. 919 West Clay Street.

P. S.—Don't forget my best girl out on the Brook Road—Z. F. You know who she is.

Richmond Va., Dec. 23, 1903, Dear Santa:

I am a little boy seven years old.
want you to bring me a large rubbe ball, horn, boat, drum, some candy, nuts oranges and fireworks.

s and fireworks.
Your, little boy.
JULIAN LOTERZO.
No. 216 1-2 South Fifth St.
Manchester, Na., Dec. 20, 1903.

Manches committee.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring mera little Morris chair,
Please wagon and also a fire neglie
and also a fire neglie. an express wagon and also a fire negline and a little Santa Claus, some nuts, candles and fruits. I will go to bed real early and will not peep at you.

I am your little boy.

AUBREY NUNNALLY, No. 506 West Thirteenth St.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 21, 1903.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 21, 1903.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little eight-year-old girl, and will thank you kindly to bring me a pretty doll; a bed, set of chairs, table and tea set; also a trunk for dolly's clothes and lots of goodles. Don't forget my brother Leroy. He wants an automobile, a horn, drum and gun and a nice wagon with a horse hitched to it, and we both want some poperackers. We live at No. 1908 West Main Street, and will go to bed by dark and close our eyes tight.

a gold lock bracelet. I formain Your little girl.

Dorrothy Magdalen Mossellen.

No. 1901 West Main Street.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a good little girl bight years old, and I will tell you what I want. I want was both want some poperackers. We live at No. 1908 West Main Street, and will go to bed by dark and close our eyes tight.

BERNELLE and LEROY BOLTON.

Manchester, Va., Dec. 21, 1008.

Doar Santa Claus:
Please bring me a billy goat, whip, harness and Jumper, candy, nuts, apples, oranges, suit of clothes and anything else you can. I have been good all the year.

Good by.

From
FRANK JONES,
1701 Decatur St., Manchester, Va.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl twelve years old, and I am a little girl tweeters, a pair of I want you to bring me a new plane, an accordeon, a new dress, a pair of flat irons, a white apron, a doll, some nuts and candy, rocking chair, a ring, and anything you can spare, Please don't forget mamma and papa. If you don't care to bring all you have for me away out here in the country you can leave some of them with my brother in Petershurg.

Your little girl.

LENA GALLOWAY,

Chesterfied county, Va.

Manchester, Va., Dec. 20, 1003.

Manchester, Va., Dec. 29, 1993.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy ten years old. Please bring me an air rifle that shoots a thousand shot and some candy and nuts, and some fireworks, and anything else you can spare, and please don't forget my little brother, eight years old. He wants a big wagen and some candy and nuts and fireworks.

From your little-boys,

ROBERT AND CLAUD BOOTH.

We live 217 E. Fifth Street.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 21, 1903.
Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy over six years old, Please bring me a drum, a horn, a hook and ladder, a fire engine, a chair, a paint box, "Grinnin's Fairy Tales," a toy pistol and some nuts and

From your little hoy, HENRY HOLLOWAY. Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy

on James Street Maddox Hill, No. 1205. Richmond Va., Dec. 21, 1903.

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Richmond, Va., Dec. 21, 1803.
Dear Santa Claus: I am a good little girl, two years old. I want you to bring me a doll baby, carriage, a cradic, a trunk, a doll that will go to sleep, a work box, a parlor suit, a table, a set of dishes, a horn, two irons and a ironing board, some candles, nuis. I will go to bed real some

From your little girl,
MABLE MORRIS. No. 1910 Pleasant Street.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 21, 1903. Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl three years old, I will be four years old Christmus day. I want you to bring me a doll baby, carriage, a cradic a high chair for my doll, a doll that will go to sleep, a trunk, a work how a for my doll, a doll that will go to sleep, a trunk, a work box, a parlor sult, a table a set of dishes, a horn, a iron; and a ironing beard. I am a good little girl, I will go to bed real soon.

Your little girl,

BESSIE MORRIS.

No. 1910 Pleasant-Street.
P. :.-Please don't forget my sister An nie and my little cousin Annie, she lives

in No. 310 Nicholson Street, Fulton.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 10, 1966,
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a very little girl, but I want a
whole lot of toys, Christmas tree and
candy. Bring me a nice little go-cart
instead of a carriage, as I like a gocart the best I would also like to have
a gold lock bracetet. I romain
Your little girl,
DOROTHY MAGDALEN BOSCHEN,
No. 1901 West Main Street. Richmond, Va., Dec. 10, 1903.

No. 803 East Leigh Street.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me some nice ribbon for
my hair, some good books that you think
I would like, some nice games, pair of
kid gloves, and lots of candy and nuts.
Please bring me lots of fireworks. I am

only ten years old. I am your little friend, ELIZABETH LEA.

I will write to you to let you know I will write to you to let you know what I want, I want a doll, baby carriage, bed, a large slove, table, tea set to put on my table, Esquimo, parlor furniture, dining room furniture, Christmas tree, play house, book case, desk, sewing basket, plane and stool, tricycle, gold ring, picture book of Foxy Grandpa and plenty of fire crackers. I will be good and go to bed early.

Your friend,

GAY LEA.

No. 803 East Leigh St.

Dear Santa:

Dear Santa:

As I am a little girl and just going to school, I will write and tell you what I want this Christmas. I want a doll aby that will go to sleep, a trunk, go-cart, some candy and nuts. Please bring me a little broom, fire crackers also. Don't forget little Bosquet New. He only wants a few toys. Good-bye. Santa, KATHERINE BOSQUET, No, 2801 East Main Street.

My Dear Santa Claus:
As it is getting near time for you to come, I thought that I would write you a few lines to let you know what we wanted this Christmas, I will not ask

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy over sky years old. Please bring me a drum, a horn, a hook and ladder, a fire engine, a chair, a paint box, "Grinnin's Fairy Tales," a toy pistol and some nuts and candy.

Your little friend,
CARLYLE BENEDICT,
No. 2307 East Broad Street,
Richmond, Va., Dec. 22, 1902,
My Déar Old Santa: Please bring me a doll, with black hair and blue eyes, and a Christmas tree with a present on it for each one of my cousins and my little friend Alease. Also bring me a horn, Please don't forget my little siter Meling us lots of goodles,
I am your little siter Meling me a horn, Please don't forget my little siter Meling us lots of goodles.
I am your little siter Meling me a horn, Please don't forget my little siter Meling us lots of goodles.
I am a little boy, ten years old. My little sites brother Percy, five years old, would like to have an automobile, merry-go-round, dump cart, train, fire engine, hook and ladder, clown, horn, drum, pump, how an overcoal, a cap to come ever years old, would like to have a tool chest, ice wagon, hook and ladder, in hors, and a wagon.

ELSIE MAY HARDING.
No. 413 North Thirty-third Street.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy eight years old. I would like for you to bring me a box of tools and a sleigh, a horn, some fireworks and a wagon.

From your little koy.

HENRY HOLLOWAY.

Rev. Dr. Murdock Here. Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy three years old I want you to bring me a devil in the band-box, box of tools and a secretary of the Society of Soul Winners, a brother of Mrs. Jere Witherspoon, will me a swinging horse, a while and five works. I am your little boy, and we live make the address.

213 E. Broad St.

Dr. Murphy Says Wing of Penitentiary Cannot be Made Suitable for the Insane.

TO ENCOURAGE IMMIGRATION

Committee Is Appointed for This Purpose-May Enlarge the Academy of Music.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) RALEIGH, N. C., Doc, 22.-Dr. P. L. RALEIGH, N. C. Dec. 22.—Dr. P. L. Murphy, superintendent of the State Hospital for the Insane, at Morganton, is out in a strong card, arguing the impracticability of the idea of converting a wing of the State penilentiary here into a ward for the male insane other than criminal insane, who are now kept here. The last Legislature appointed an architect to prepare plans for the conversion of the entire building into a building for the male insane.

sion of the entire building into a building for the male insane.

Dr. Murphy says if it is, the intention of the people to merely imprison their unfortunate insane relatives and keep them out of the way, then the prison is admirably adapted for the purpose; but if they wish to provide a hospital in which they shall live and be treated, with a view to restoring them to usefulness, then the place is totally unfit and could not be so changed as to make it in any way fit.

TO SECURE IMMIGRANTS.

President J. A. Long names the follow-

could not be so changed as to make it in any way fit.

TO SECURE IMMIGRANTS.
President J. A. Long names the following committee of the North Carolina Agricultural Society as a committee on immigration, with an especial view to securing the location of desirable emigrants who will develop into good farm laborers and tenants: Hon, James A. Bryan, of New Bern; General J. S. Carr, of Durham; Judge Walter Clark, Mr. Ashley Horne, Hon, J. Bryan Grimes, Colonel John S. Cuningham, Mr. Thomas B. Parker, Mr. E. S. Dautridge, Hon. S. L. Patterson, Hon, R. H. Battle, GOOD WORK.
Rev. W. C. Tyree has just completed the first year of his pastorate with the First Baptist Church, in this city, and a statement of the work of the church for the year shows 77 members added during the year—40 by baptism and 37 by letter; contributions, foreign missions, \$730, as compared with \$183 during the year previous; home missions, \$604, as compared with \$3508 during 1002. Dr. Tyree paid 509 pastoral visits and preached 98 sermons in his own pulpit.

A meeting of the directors of the Raleigh Auditorium Company is called for December 30th, to take some action looking to the work of remodeling and enlargement of the Academy of Music, which the company purchased several months ago with a view to enlarging it for the purpose of providing a suitable place for holding great State conventions and other great gatherings of State Importance.

portance.

SELLS SWAMP LANDS.

At a meeting of the State Heard of Education to-day a tract of 800 acres of swamp lands in Jones county was sold to T. C. Wootten for \$1 per acre. Several other propositions for large tracts were under consideration, but were not approved. proved. proved.
Dr. Hubert A. Royster, dean of the
University of North Carolina, medical
department, in this city, acknowledges,
department, of seventy-two volumes from

department, in this city, activities a donation of seventy-two volumes from the library of the late Dr. R. B. Royster, of this city, and they become a part of the reference library of the school for the use of the students. CHARGES AGAINST BOYD.

Ready to Inaugurate Charges Against a Federal Judge.

Against a Federal Judge.

(Special to The Times-Disnatch.)

GREENSBORO, N. C., Dec. 22.—A special from Washington says charges have been made against United States District Judge James E. Boyd and that the House Judiclary Committee, Chairman Jenkins, is ready to inaugurate impeachment proceedings. The nature of the accusation is not stated and the report created surprise if not indignation here. Judge Foyd in answer to inquiry says: "It is simply a piece of rot, concocted by some persons who dislike me and send out such dispatches to injure me. Whenever any charges as to my official conduct emanate from a respectable source, I am ready to meet them fully. I have done nothing as

judge, which was not prompted by mo-tives of integrity and the sole purpose to faithfully discharge my official duty."
It is know here that Ex-Congressman Blackburn, who is in Washington, and an inveterate enemy of Judge Boyd, has been talking of preparing charges for failure to hold court in Wilkesboro, and left here Saturday expressing that inten-tion, but it was taken as a joke.

\$2.50

FOOTPAD ARRESTED.

Captain Fowler Assaulted by a Burley Negro and Badly Hurt.

Burley Negro and Badly Hurt.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

SALISBURY, N. C., December 22—
Captain J. A. Fowler, an employe of the Southern Railway, was knocked down and robbed near the Spencer shops at a late hour last night by a negro then unknown. At the time the deed was committed Mr. Fowler was on his way to the depot to take a northbound train. While depot to take a northbound train. While crossing the yards, and at a point where it is very dark, Mr. Fowier noticed a dark figure approaching him, but pild no attention to the man until the stopped up behind him and struck him a terrible blow on the head with a large stick, cutting his head severely. The negro, who appeared to be strong and burly, then snatched a suit case which Mr. Fowier was carrying and made his escape, leaving his victim prostrate and in a semi-conscious condition. Mr. Fowier was found some hours later, bleeding and suffering.

found sont fering.

Burt Finger was arrested for the crime and lodged in jail here to-day. A part of the clothes taken from Fowler were found in his possession.

Popular Young Lady Ill.

Popular Young Lady III.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

SALISBURY, N. C., Dec. 22.—Miss Jannett Smith, of Winston-Salem, was operated upon in the Whitehead-Stokes Sanitarium here yesterday for appendicitis, this being the third operation for the same disease. The patient stood the operation as well as could be expected, considering that she has been confined to her bed for oright weeks. Miss Smith is a social favorite in the Twin City, Charlotto and other places in the State, and has many rivends who will regret to learn of her serious iliness. She was brought to Salisbury Saturday, being accompanied by her bury Saturday, being accompanied by her mother, Mrs. A. A. Smith.

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One of the reasons for this is the fact that the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway owns and operates all of the sleeping, dining, library and other care on these trains. This is the time to go to the Southwest, and this is the way. Descriptive folder free on application to GEORGE J. LINCOLN,
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